

ALUMNI CORNER



A Card-Tastic Weekend **2,500** ALUMNI ATTENDED from 41 states and 3 countries

45 1978, 1983, and 2013 events
reunion years bested their reunion goals (You have until December 31 to make a reunion gift. We're looking at you, class of 1973. You're so close!)

63 CLASSES REPRESENTED in reunion
\$4 MILLION GAVE GIFTS

CARDINAL WEEKEND 2019
September 27-29

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► 1950s

Lorraine Chanatry Howell, M.A. 1959, earned the 2018 Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award for professional accomplishments during her many years as a Marquis Who's Who biographer. She recently designed and donated a garden to her parish, Holy Cross, in Bridgeton, N.J., where she lives with her husband, Jim. Currently, she is working with the Department of Art at Catholic University to develop an art education program for students who will go on to teach.

di Venezia will mark a major international presentation for Puryear, whose work has remained at the forefront of American creativity and who will create new site-specific pieces for the U.S. Pavilion. The exhibition will be curated and commissioned by Brooke Kamin Rapaport, deputy director and senior curator at the Madison Square Park Conservancy.

George E. Blanford Jr., B.A. 1964, has been recognized as a recipient of the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by the Marquis Who's Who Publications Board. He is a professor emeritus of physics and astronomy at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.

► 1960s

Martin Puryear, B.A. 1963, D.F.A. 1990, will represent the United States at the 58th Venice Biennale in 2019. La Biennale

William Alexander Lester Jr., Ph.D. 1965, chemist and educator for University of California, Berkeley, was selected as Top Chemist Educator of the Year for 2018 by the International

Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP) for his outstanding leadership and commitment to the field.

Sister Mary Lois Corporandy, R.S.M., M.T.S. 1966, celebrated 70 years of religious life and service at a community jubilee Mass at the Mercy Convent Chapel in Burlingame, Calif.

Hector Hugo Gonzalez, M.S.N. 1967, of San Antonio, Texas, has been recognized as a recipient of the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by the Marquis Who's Who Publications Board.

► 1970s

Angela A. Puglisi, M.F.A. 1974, M.A. 1976, M.A. 1977, Ph.D. 1983, of Vienna, Va., had a solo

art exhibit titled "Viewscapes: Home and Abroad" at the Via Umbria Gallery this summer in Georgetown. Her works can be found in the United States and Brazil as well as Europe and, most recently, in a private Saudi collection. A selection of her pieces has also been exhibited and sold exclusively at Neiman Marcus (Tysons Galleria), and has been exhibited at the Ritz Carlton, Dulles Marriott, and Washington Gallery, among other galleries.

David Keenan, B.A. 1976, of Eatontown, N.J., was promoted to chief operations officer of Angel Medical Systems, Inc. He holds 14 patents in the area of cardiac technology and led the company's effort to obtain FDA approval for the Guardian, a new implant that detects signs of an impending heart attack. The project took 16 years from concept to approval.

Hal Howland, M.A. 1977, of Key West, Fla., singer-songwriter, jazz musician, and author, announced the release of his pop album *Every Time It's You* (Howland Records 4), featuring 15 original songs written between 1976 and 2013, ranging in style from ballad to blues, folk-rock, jazz, samba, and ska.

H. Jason Gold, J.D. 1979, has been elected chairman of the board of Freedom Bank of Virginia, a community bank in Northern Virginia. He is the longest-serving director of the bank, which he helped found in July 2001. He is a partner and chair of the Bankruptcy and Financial Restructuring Group at the national law firm of Nelson



Members of the Class of 1968 at their Golden Cardinal Reunion.



24 WEDDINGS TOGETHER

10 of their own and 14 of their children

CHILDREN 27 FOR THE GROUP:

AND 17 GRAND-CHILDREN!

6 GROUP VACATIONS

with all families filling a rental home with nearly 40 people.

NUMBER OF "CUA SWEETHEARTS"

8 They include Rosalind Flynn and Malcolm Poulin, Maryrose Hannon McInerney and William McInerney, Barbara Stocus Holden and Stephen Craig Holden, and Kitty Higgins and John Rosiak.

40TH REUNION COMMITTEE MEMBERS 3

(Tim Lisante, Maryrose McInerney, and Libby Merriman)

2 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBERS

(Lee Ann Joiner Brady and William McInerney)

44 Years of Friendship

They became fast friends in 1974 as first-year students at Catholic University. Four years later, they set off to start careers, marriages, and families — and they've managed to stay connected for four decades. "We had a blast at our 40th reunion," says Rosalind Flynn, head of the M.A. in Theatre Education in Catholic University's Department of Drama.

"It is so meaningful to still be friends with people you knew as teenagers," says Flynn. "The four years spent living, studying, and socializing during college are powerful ones. Whenever we get together, we always reminisce and laugh outrageously at the shared memories!"



The group includes Lee Ann Joiner Brady, Rosalind Flynn, Malcolm Poulin, Maryrose Hannon McInerney, Barbara Stocus Holden, Elizabeth Callahan Merriman, Robert Summerhayes, Kathleen ("Kitty") Higgins, John Rosiak, Catherine Burke Griffin, Terrence O'Connell, Timothy Lisante, Stephen Craig Holden (1976), and William McInerney (1977).

Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP in Washington, D.C., and has been active in the local business community for nearly 40 years. Born and raised in Brooklyn, N.Y., he moved to the D.C. area in 1972 and, with his wife Margi, raised two sons in Northern Virginia.

breadth of African-American history and culture.

Earl W. Phillips Jr., J.D. 1980, partner at Robinson+Cole, has been named the *Best Lawyers*® 2019 “Lawyer of the Year” in Hartford, Conn., in the area of environmental law. He is co-chair of Robinson+Cole’s environmental, energy and telecommunications group.

Abby Crowley, M.A. 1981, Ed.D. 1983, retired from Catholic Charities and entered the Peace Corps. She will serve for seven months as an accreditation specialist at Cagayan State University in the Philippines.

Gerald L. Gordon, Ph.D. 1981, president and CEO of Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (FCEDA), will retire at the end of the year. Gordon has been with the FCEDA since 1983 and has led it since 1987. During that time, office space in Fairfax County grew from 32 million square feet to more than 117 million, making it

► 1980s

Michael Marshall, B.S.Arch. 1980, head of D.C.-based Michael Marshall Design, has donated a selection of his architectural design archives to the Smithsonian’s National Museum of African American History and Culture. The design archives comprise original drawings and models. He was approached in January of 2017 by museum curator Michelle Joan Wilkinson, who was creating an archive of material focused on African-American architects, as part of the museum’s mission to recognize and represent the tremendous



► Addressing the Church Crisis

Added to Cardinal Weekend activities this year was a panel discussion focused on the University’s response to the priest sexual abuse crisis.

The Church in Crisis event was developed specifically to give alumni a voice in ongoing discussions at the University. Featured speakers were Andrew Abela, provost; Mary Leary, professor at the Columbus School of Law; and Susan Timoney, associate dean of undergraduate studies and professor of practice in the School of Theology and Religious Studies, who discussed actions the University is taking to help laity and Church leadership work toward healing.

A number of alumni addressed the panel during the question-and-answer portion of the discussion. Many thanked the University for not shying away from this painful topic.

The panel was part of a larger discussion which included a November 19 conference, sponsored by the University’s Institute for Human Ecology, featuring journalists from *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, *Crux*, and the Catholic News Agency. At press time, another panel for alumni was scheduled to be held November 29 in Philadelphia.

Dates for three public conferences this spring will be announced soon. The overarching theme of the series is “Healing the Breach of Trust: Laity, Leadership, and the Crisis.”

“Hosting such a difficult conversation as part of #CardWknd18 was a risky and honorable thing to do. I look forward to the public panels,” Michael Moriarty, B.A. 1985, tweeted following the Cardinal Weekend event.

The University is creating an institute that will promote a universal call to holiness and help laity and clergy work toward renewal at the diocesan and parish levels, as well as offer courses on dealing with sexual abuse, parish management, canon and civil law scholarship, and more. — A.K.



Members of the Class of 1988 at the Tent Party.



We were thrust right into the forefront of Irish politics. We were afforded access to leading politicians that even most Irish citizens don’t have.



Top photo, former Irish interns hosted by the Irish Embassy 35 years later. Left to right: Grace Schneider, director of Education Abroad; John McCann; Bridgette Sopper Oliva; Betsy Soule; Curtis Kelley; President John Garvey; Irish Deputy Chief of Mission Michael Lonergan; Patrick Lally; Andrew Squire; Rosemary Enright Lally; and Kevin English. **Bottom photo**, welcome reception at the Irish Prime Minister’s Dublin office in 1983. Left to right: Tom Somers, Andrew Squire, Rosemary Enright, John McCann, Bridget Sopper, Patrick Lally, Prime Minister Garret FitzGerald, Kevin English, Betsy Soule, Mary Lucanuski, and Curtis Kelley.

Irish Parliament Interns Reunite 35 Years Later

When Patrick Lally graduated in 1984 with a degree in politics, he sent a résumé and a cover letter to every member of Congress. He got calls back from two. As Lally tells it, “During my interview with the Congressman who ultimately hired me, he said, ‘I saw your internship in the Irish Parliament on your résumé and that’s why I decided to call you in.’”

Lally, who is now an officer in Maryland Governor Larry Hogan’s cabinet, says he can trace just about every job in his career back to that 1983 internship.

In October, Lally and the nine students he shared that experience with gathered in Washington, D.C., to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the groundbreaking program. The students (nine from Catholic University and one from Marquette University) were the first American students ever to intern in the Irish Parliament. They worked in *Dáil Éireann* (the lower house and principal chamber of the Irish legislature), which has 158 members (called *Teachta Dála* or TD). Each one of the students served as a legislative aide to a TD. Rosemary Enright, B.A. 1984, (now married to Lally) worked for Bertie Ahern, who would go on to become prime minister of Ireland from 1997 to 2008.

The other interns were 1984 Catholic University graduates: Kevin English, Curtis Kelley, Mary Lucanuski, John McCann, Tom Somers, Bridgette Sopper, and Betsy Soule. Andrew Squire, J.D. 1986, a 1983 graduate of Marquette University, joined the pilot program that was developed through a partnership with the Irish Institute of Public Administration (IPA) in Dublin and Catholic University.

“We were thrust right into the forefront of Irish politics,” says Lally. “We were afforded access to leading politicians that even most Irish citizens don’t have.”

The students also attended classes twice a week; on Mondays at Trinity College with Irish poet laureate Brendan Kennelly and on Fridays at the IPA with renowned Irish historian Ronan Fanning.

The 10 students formed a lasting bond during the internship and when Kelley reached out to all of them to suggest the 35th reunion, they each helped in planning a trip that included visits to Catholic University, reunion dinners, Mass, and a private tour of President Lincoln’s Cottage at the Soldiers Home. The most special event was a private reception at the Irish Embassy, where they were hosted by Michael Lonergan, deputy chief of mission, and joined by University President John Garvey.

The welcome shown to the group at the embassy was “a poignant reminder of the generous hospitality we came to know in Ireland that is a hallmark of Irish life,” says Lally. — E.N.W.

Catholic University continues to offer an internship with the Irish Parliament, as well as one with the British Parliament and the European Union Parliament.



In August, the Alumni Association recognized a group of alumni parents and the children who have followed in their footsteps to Catholic University. During a special lunch, the University welcomed the new students and greeted their parents as they returned to campus.

the second-largest suburban office market in the nation — and one with 10 Fortune 500 headquarters and top companies in a broad set of industry sectors. In retirement he will serve as a fellow at the College of Charleston, consult with institutions in northern Virginia, and serve on a local board.

Maurya C. Keating, B.A. 1983, M.A. 1984, has been named by the Securities and Exchange Commission as an associate regional director for the investment adviser and investment company examination program in the agency's New York Regional Office.

Kathryn G. Sophy, J.D. 1986, of Harrisburg, Pa., has been appointed by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission as the new director for the Office of Special Assistants.

William H. Hoch III, B.A. 1988, J.D. 1993, an attorney with Crowe & Dunlevy in its Oklahoma office, has been selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2019 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®.

Steven McDevitt, B.A. 1989, started a new position as the chief information officer at Saint Anselm College in Manchester, N.H.

Camille Q. Solberg, B.A. 1989, has been appointed by President Donald Trump to serve in the Bureau of Legislative and Public Affairs at the United States Agency for International Development. She previously worked for the office of United States Senator Ron Johnson (R-Wisc.). This is her second presidential appointment.

► 1990s

Minnie Baylor-Henry, J.D. 1990, has joined the scPharmaceuticals board of directors. She has more

than 20 years of regulatory affairs experience. Currently, she is the president of B-Henry & Associates, a consulting organization focused on providing regulatory and strategic support to life science companies.

Angela C. Santomero, B.A. 1990, has been tapped to be 9 Story Media Group's new chief creative officer. As CCO, Santomero will report to President and CEO Vince Comisso, and lead the creative content strategy across all of 9 Story Media Group. The appointment comes 5 months after 9 Story acquired Out of the Blue Enterprises, which was co-founded by Santomero.

Annemarie Tierney, J.D. 1990, has joined the firm Templum, Inc., a leading innovative technology company, as head of strategy and general counsel. In this new role, she will be responsible for continuing the development and execution of Templum's strategic initiatives and advising on regulatory issues.

Rev. John Orr, Ph.B. 1991, M.A. 2001, M.Div. 2001, has moved to a new parish, St. Mary Catholic Church, Athens, Tenn.

Sean B. Cunningham, M.A. 1992, Ph.D. 2013, formerly of Balch & Bingham LLP, is the new director for the Office of Energy Policy and Systems Analysis.

Angela Logomasini, M.A. 1992, Ph.D. 2008, is a senior fellow at the Competitive Enterprise Institute, specializing in environmental risk, regulation, and consumer freedom.

Reynaldo Quintana, M.S. 1992, has been hired as vice president of engineering for Kedalion Therapeutics, Inc., a clinical-stage company focused on development and commercialization of topical ophthalmology therapies based on its proprietary AcuStream™ platform.

Celine Saulnier, B.A. 1993, opened her own company, Neurodevelopmental Assessment & Consulting Services in Decatur, Ga. She also published (with Cheryl Klaiman), *Essentials of Adaptive Behavior Assessment of Neurodevelopmental Disorders* (Wiley, May 2018).

John R. Ballard, Ph.D. 1994, has been named the new academic dean and provost at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point (USMMA). In this position, he will serve as the chief academic officer and principal advisor to



Members of the Class of 1993 at the Tent Party.



Summer Send-Off Parties Welcome Students, Parents to the Cardinal Family

First-year students were welcomed to the Catholic University family this summer at events held in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico. The summer send-off parties gave new students the opportunity to meet friends before arriving on campus and offered their parents the chance to learn more about the University. Host parents included Deb and Brian Walsh; Kyrsis Marrero and Sergio Sanjenis; Maria and Robert Dolan; Chuck and Kathie Bond; Parents Council members Tom and Jen Curry; and Brendan and Maureen O'Reilly (both 1987 alumni), who are pictured above.

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the superintendent in all matters relating to the academic program and faculty. He will also co-chair the educational priority working group for the recently released USMMA strategic plan.

Joseph Barnes, B.M. 1995, is the managing director of The Metropolitan Opera, Lincoln Center, N.Y., for the 2018–2019 season.

Mary Ellen Icaza, B.A. 1996, is the new CEO/executive director of Stark Library in Canton, Ohio. She

will assume responsibility for leading the strategy planning and execution of Stark Library's innovative vision to transform library services in the community. Stark Library system includes the Main Library, nine branches, a 24/7 digital library, and the largest bookmobile fleet in the state.

Richard G. Poulson, J.D. 1997, partner at Willig, Williams & Davidson in Philadelphia, has been selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2019 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®.

Elma Molina-Riggle, B.A. 1997, was recognized for her 20 years of service as a teacher with Arlington (Va.) Public Schools. Her daughter, **Beatriz Riggle, B.A. 2018**, graduated from Catholic University in May.

Brian J. MacDonough, B.A. 1998, a partner at Sherin & Lodgen, has been selected by his peers for inclusion in the 2019 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®.

Mark DeOcampo, B.S.Arch. 1999, B.Arch. 2000, has been

hired by Frederick (Md.) Mayor Michael O'Connor as the executive assistant of administration. In his new role with the city, Mark will lead strategic planning citywide, including research on potential legislation, and will oversee internal departmental coordination to carry out the city's mission.

Daniel McKenna, B.A. 1999, a member of Ballard Spahr's Consumer Financial Services Group, has been inducted as a Fellow of the American College of Consumer Financial Services Lawyers (ACCFSL).



Cardinals Cheer on Nationals

Nearly 50 alumni gathered to cheer for the Washington Nationals as the team took on the New York Mets at Nats Park on September 21. Although the Nats didn't win that night, the evening was still a special one, because the alumni event doubled as a birthday celebration for Alison McCarthy, B.A. 1997.

Other early fall events sponsored by the Alumni Association included a Red Feather Society happy hour for young alumni donors, where members of the class of 2018 were inducted, and a Senior Kick-Off event for about 400 members of the senior class.



2019 ALUMNI AWARDS A CARDINAL CELEBRATION

Catholic University's Alumni Association recognizes outstanding alumni every two years, and recipients have been announced for the Young Alumni Merit Award and Alumni Achievement Awards.

YOUNG ALUMNI MERIT AWARD RECIPIENT

The Young Alumni Merit Award was established in 1989, and is conferred upon an alumnus or alumna who has been a member of the association for less than 15 years, demonstrated extraordinarily high levels of achievement early in his or her career, and shown the potential for future accomplishments.

Luigi Alvarado, B.S. 2009 (biochemistry), application scientist, 10X Genomics Inc., Pleasanton, Calif.

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Alumni Achievement Awards, established in 1958, may be conferred upon no more than seven alumni who have distinguished themselves as leaders in their respective fields of endeavor.

Carolyn Rickard-Brideau, B.S.Arch. 1983, corporate president and COO at Little Diversified Architectural Consulting, Charlotte, N.C.

Robert Iannone, B.S. 1989, head of Research and Development and Chief Medical Officer at Immunomedics, Inc., Morris Plains, N.J.

Kari Mastro, B.S.N. 1990, vice president, chief nursing officer, St. Mary's Medical Center Langhorne, Pa.

Jeffrey Moreland, J.D. 1970, vice chairman of the Amtrak board of directors; chairman, Government Affairs and Legal & Corporate Affairs Committee



Joseph Mattis, B.S.N. 1990, with School of Nursing Dean Patricia McMullen during the Denver reception.

Cardinals Around the Country

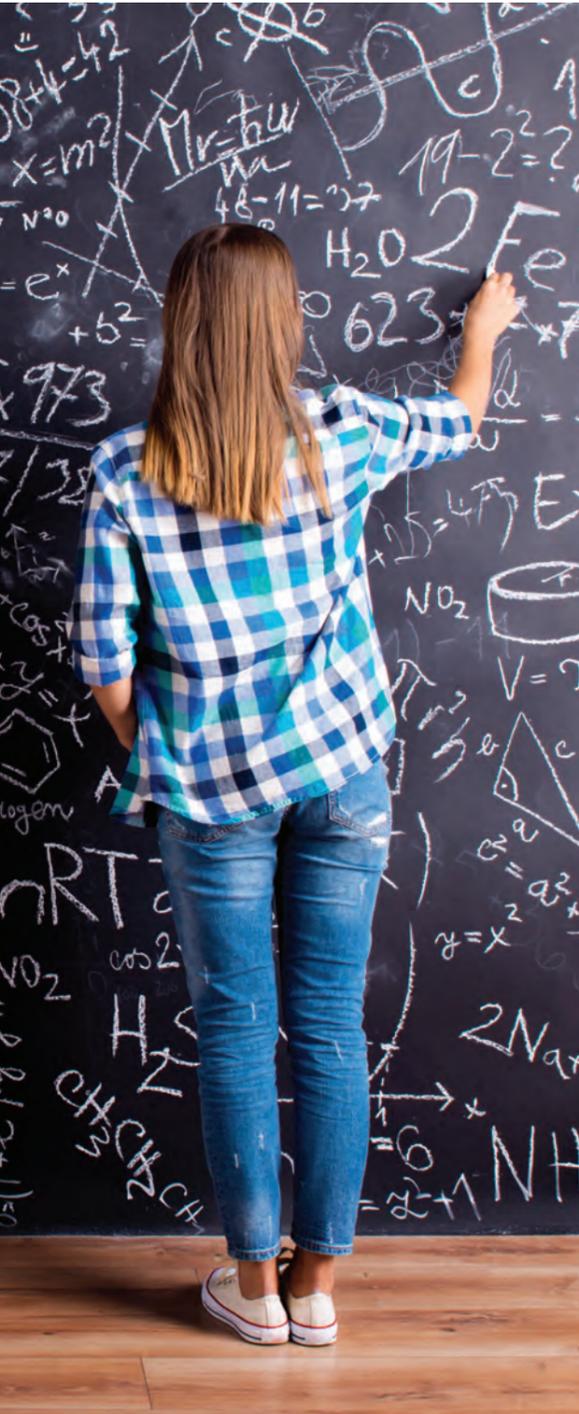
This summer, a number of events were held across the country for members of the Catholic University community.

In June, Dean Randall Ott and other faculty and staff from the School of Architecture and Planning traveled to New York City for the AIA Conference on Architecture. At a reception held in the Beekman Room of the New York Hilton Midtown, more than 100 gathered for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and conversation. Later that month, Patricia McMullen, dean of the School of Nursing, visited Denver, hosting a reception for 30 local Catholic University alumni, parents, students, and friends. McMullen shared news from the School and the University.

Reunion Road Trips were held in early August in Washington, D.C., New York City, and Philadelphia for classmates celebrating in advance of Cardinal Weekend.

In mid-September, a Welcome to the City event in New York City helped connect alumni new to the area with seasoned residents. With this annual event, Catholic University aims to help establish a network for new residents and expand the circle of friends for those already there. Nearly 50 members of the Cardinal family attended.

Other events included an Athletics happy hour in Philadelphia and a canon law reception held in Phoenix, and alumni receptions with President Garvey in Atlanta and Fairfield, Conn.



Inspired by Dedicated Teachers, Alumnus Funds Endowed Chair to Promote Women in STEM



When Anthony Galasso, B.A. 1978, enrolled at The Catholic University of America at 17, he'd never been away from home for more than three days. Hundreds of miles from New Jersey for the first time and without supervision, he gave in to distractions.

"It's sort of the standard story, right? I screwed up my first year pretty badly," he said. "How do you get through that? How do you find the signal in the noise?"

Hall and Carol Jo Crannell recognized Galasso's need. Hall was a professor in the Department of Physics, where Carol Jo also lectured part-time while working at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland.

"I would have changed majors, or switched schools. It's not just about the opportunities Hall offered me. It's somebody caring," Galasso said, joking he couldn't have escaped Hall's attention if he'd tried, because the undergraduate Department of Physics was tiny. "My class was myself and my roommate. They don't let you slide when there's just two of you. It felt like a burden at the time."

Now, he sees the scrutiny as a blessing. And the small class size enabled him to take graduate-level courses in his junior and senior years.

Carol Jo, who passed away in 2009, helped Galasso get a job at Goddard and facilitated his acceptance to graduate school at the University of New Hampshire. He said she was "ahead of her time — a woman with a Ph.D. in physics, in the '70s. She gave me co-authorship of one of her articles when I was an undergrad. It was two paragraphs on my part, but she didn't have to do that."

Due to Carol Jo's influence, encouraging women and girls in physics and other hard sciences is a passion for Galasso, who said "the solution is not to do it when they're already in college, it's when they're in second and third grade. It's true for girls in STEM, or for anybody."

A retired Boeing executive and holder of about 40 patents, Galasso's path had some early influences, too. As a child, he was given a telescope and a ham radio.

But it is the Crannells he credits with changing his life. In thanks, Galasso and his wife, Linda, have left a bequest through their family trust to establish "The Galasso Family Endowed Chair in Physics in gratitude and memory of Drs. Hall and Carol Jo Crannell."

Galasso hopes the chair will be held by a woman.

The trust establishes the endowed chair upon his death. Should it not reach the required \$3 million threshold, the money will establish "The Galasso Family Endowed Scholarship in Physics" for female undergraduates.

"I wouldn't have a career without Hall and Carol Jo," Galasso said. "Hopefully, the chair or the scholarships will do that for someone else." — A.K.

An endowed chair at Catholic University is created through a gift of at least \$3 million. It may be made either over time or stipulated as part of a bequest — as the Galassos have done — through gifts of cash, appreciated securities, tangible personal property, or real estate.

For more information about endowed gifts, contact Isabel de la Puente, director of planned giving, at 202-319-6914, delapuate@cua.edu, or visit cua.myplannedgift.org.



Members of the Class of 2008 at the Tent Party.

► 2000s

Monsignor Richard Henning, S.T.L. 2000, has been appointed by Pope Francis as an auxiliary bishop serving the Diocese of Rockville Centre, N.Y.

John A. Stewart, M.S. 2000, has been named president of Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) effective July 1.

Joseph J. LoBue, J.D. 2001, has joined the Washington, D.C., office of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP, as a partner in the business trial practice group and as a member of the firm's international arbitration team.

Kathryn Slattery, B.S.Arch. 2001, has been promoted to principal for Quinn Evans Architects in the Washington, D.C., office. She has 15 years of architectural and project management experience, and has overseen major projects in the Mid-Atlantic region including the award-winning Experience Migration project at the

Smithsonian Institution's National Zoological Park in Washington, D.C.; the Frontier Culture Museum in Staunton, Va.; Johns Hopkins University's Macaulay Hall in Baltimore; and several projects at the Smithsonian's National Gallery of Art.

Lance Chimka, B.S. 2002, has been named the new director of Allegheny County (Pa.) Economic Development (ACED). In his new position, he will oversee the development and execution of economic growth strategies for the county.

Catherine L. Razzano, J.D. 2002, has been appointed chief compliance officer for Panasonic Avionics Corporation.

John Coplen, M.Arch. 2003, has been named managing broker of Long & Foster | Christie's International Real Estate's Logan Circle office, Washington, D.C. As co-founding partner of Alter Urban Architects, an award-winning full-service architectural design and consulting firm with features in

publications such as *Dwell* and *Home & Design Magazine*, Coplen has more than 15 years of experience in residential and commercial property design and construction in the Washington, D.C. metro area.

Analena (Valdes) Lunde, B.S.N. 2003, earned her doctorate in nursing practice from Walden University in May 2018. She is employed at Dickinson State University's Department of Nursing as an assistant professor. She was also inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau International Chapter and Walden University's Golden Key International Honor Society for academic and research excellence.

Adam Weiss, B.S.B.A. 2003, and wife Victoria announce the birth of their daughter, Makenzie Leigh, on July 13. She joins sisters Hayleigh and Kaycee and brother Gavin at their home in Massapequa Park, N.Y.

R. Quincy Bird, B.A. 2005, has joined Carlton Fields in its Tampa office. He is a member of the firm's labor and employment practice. He has federal clerkship, in-house, and

large-firm experience, most recently working as a clerk to U.S. District Judge James D. Whittemore in the Middle District of Florida. He also worked as an in-house attorney at the Tampa-based private equity real estate firm Avesta and spent two years as a litigation attorney at Shumaker, Loop, & Kendrick.

Brian Cali, B.M. 2005, is appearing in featured roles and in the ensemble in *Pretty Woman: The Musical* at the Nederlander Theatre on Broadway.

Brian Doyle, Ph.D. 2005, director of Marymount University's Center for Ethical Concerns, has been elected a member of the governing board of The Shepherd Higher Education Consortium on Poverty (SHECP).

Jerry Perez, J.D. 2005, California director of the Bureau of Land Management, is now supervisor of the Angeles National Forest. Perez has 30 years experience working for the U.S. Forest Service.

Susan Catania Odess, B.A. 2006, has been named a partner by the Coral Gables-based firm Siegfried, Rivera, Hyman, Lerner, De La Torre, Mars & Sobel, P.A.

Bridget Schuster, J.D. 2008, has joined the firm Williams Kastner in the Seattle office, where she is of counsel. Her practice focuses on environmental law and related litigation.

Sister Gianna Maria Solomon, B.S.N. 2009, professed her first vows as a Sister of Life on August 4 at Villa Maria Guadalupe in

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Alexis Nicole and Emily Ann Sonnhalter



Arthur Koh



Class of 2018 alumni enjoy their first Cardinal Weekend.

Stamford, Conn. The Sisters of Life are a religious congregation founded in 1991 by Cardinal John O'Connor, Archbishop of New York, and dedicated to the protection and enhancement of the sacredness of human life.

Robert Sonnhalter, B.A. 2009, and wife Krista welcomed twin girls, Alexis Nicole and Emily Ann, on May 30. The family lives in Rocky River, Ohio.

► 2010s

David Gavin, B.S.Arch. 2010, was promoted to architect in the Baltimore office of Cho Benn Holback, a Quinn Evans Company. He has worked on the award-winning Open Works maker space in Baltimore; a new outdoor performing arts venue at Allen Pond Park in Bowie, Md.; and the renovation and expansion of the Cole Field House at the University of Maryland in College Park, Md.

Michael Horoski, M.A. 2010, a social studies teacher at Carver-Edisto Middle School, Cope, S.C., has been named Orangeburg Consolidated School District 4 Teacher of the Year for 2018–2019.

Michelle Gatta, B.A. 2012, has been named director of admissions at Archbishop John Carroll High School in Radnor, Pa.

Alison Irvine, B.S.B.A. 2012, married **Michael Nassar, B.S.B.A. 2012**, on June 2. Alison is a senior accounting manager at HMSHost and Michael is the manager of

recognition and events services at Marriott International. They live in Potomac, Md.

Stephanie A. Martin, J.D. 2013, joins Plunkett Cooney, one of the Midwest's oldest and largest law firms, as an associate attorney focusing her practice primarily in the area of insurance coverage; representing major property and casualty insurance companies in coverage disputes involving environmental contamination; and construction defect and high-exposure product liability claims.

Veronica Timm, B.M. 2013, married **Timothy Laubacker, B.S.Arch. 2012**, on March 3. Timothy has completed his architecture licensing exams and is a fully certified architect in Washington, D.C. Last summer, Veronica began her first year of a master's degree program at Loyola University in Maryland, where she will receive her M.Ed. in Kodaly Music Education, as well as Kodaly certification.

Molly Fitzpatrick, B.A. 2014, married **Michael Kean, B.E.E. 2014**, on May 25.

Megan Gormley, B.A. 2014, married **Thomas Scotto, B.C.E. 2012**, on Nov. 11, 2017.

Share Your News!

Do you have news to share with your classmates? Submit a class note to cua-classnotes@cua.edu.

If you moved or changed your email address or phone number, you can easily update your information: fill out a form at bit.ly/cuaupdate, email cua-alumni@cua.edu, or call 202-319-5608.

Sara (Smith) Koh, B.M. 2014, and **Francis Koh, J.D. 2001**, welcomed their first child, Arthur, on April 22. The family lives in the Washington, D.C. area.

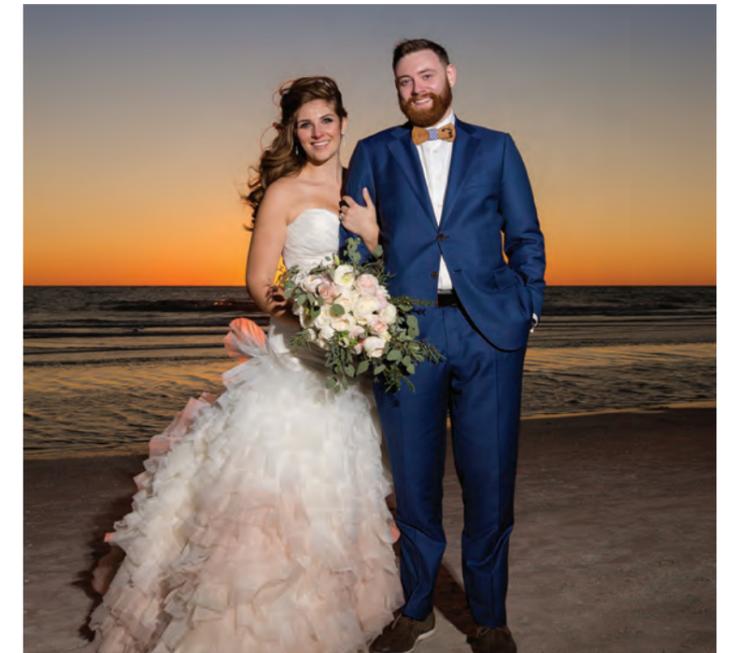
Marc J. DelMonico, Ph.D. 2015, of Adelphi, Md., has been named assistant director of certification for ecclesial ministry and service at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. He is tasked with promoting, encouraging, developing, and evaluating new and ongoing processes of certification for lay ecclesial ministry in the U.S. Catholic Church.

Claire Gilmore, B.A. 2016, married **Thomas Wong, B.C.E./M.S. 2017**, on June 8. Thomas is a civil engineer for the General Services Administration currently working on the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial. The couple lives in the Washington, D.C., area.

Daniel Baillargeon, Ph.D. 2018, has been named by **Most Rev. Mitchell T. Rozanski, B.A. 1980, S.T.B. 1984**, bishop of the Diocese of Springfield, Conn., as the new superintendent of schools for the diocese.



Irvine-Nassar wedding



Timm-Laubacker wedding



Gormley-Scotto wedding



Engineering Alumnus Develops New “Startups” Course

Chris Danek, B.M.E. 1989, knows about innovation. The engineering alumnus, who has a Ph.D. from Stanford University and an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of Business, is listed as an inventor on 70 U.S. patents. He led the initial clinical development of bronchial thermoplasty, the first approved intervention to treat asthma. He also co-founded AtheroMed, Inc., where he led the development of a clinically and commercially successful treatment for peripheral arterial disease.

“In medical device development, the outcomes, experience, and safety of the patient always come first. When the focus stays on the patient, the rewards are incredible,” says Danek. “When people tell you they can go back to work, or they can go on a hike for the first time in a long time ... when you meet people who have a better quality of life because of something you helped invent, it makes all the time and energy to bring a product to market worthwhile.”

More than two years ago, Danek pitched the idea for a new course to the School of Engineering. In it, students would work together to develop a product that serves the common good, and then learn how to launch it into the business world. The course, Social Innovation Startups, was piloted last spring for engineering students and is now offered as a full-year course open to seniors and graduate students from all disciplines.

To teach the course, Danek is partnering with co-instructor Greg Behrmann, a faculty member in the School of Engineering, who has more than 20 years of experience as an innovator in the medical device industry. Students in the course benefit from the guidance of many others, as well; each team is matched with a mentor from the school’s faculty or from the business world.

Early this semester, Danek laid out basic tenets of the course for his students: “Have empathy with the people you are trying to serve; conduct

interviews; listen to them. To maintain creativity and energy, work in teams. Generate tons of ideas. Make tangible prototypes. Test and refine your solutions.” He also encourages students to learn from failure. “Even the most successful entrepreneurs rarely get it right the first time. Share your prototype and iterate based on feedback.”

Danek, a Silicon Valley entrepreneur and consultant, says he is at a point in his career where his joy comes from helping others turn innovative ideas into practical solutions. Every Wednesday, he takes the “red eye” to Washington, D.C., making himself available to the teams during the day before the Thursday-evening class. Then he’s back on a Friday flight to the West Coast.

Groups in the course this fall are working to develop a pop-up mobile clinic for medical missions in the Philippines; a highly functional, yet affordable lower-limb prosthetic; a smart greenhouse; a wireless beehive monitoring system; a stroke-rehabilitation protocol; and responses to the crisis in Puerto Rico following Hurricane Maria.

“Dr. Danek has been through this process so many times,” says Patrick Walsh, a senior mechanical engineering student, who is on the prosthetics team. “He talks a lot about having creative confidence throughout the process. And it really adds to our confidence to have him and the other faculty members and industry mentors helping us out and believing in our projects.”

“I’ve always been grateful to my alma mater,” says Danek. “It provided me with the strong foundation for what I’ve achieved, and it’s important to me to contribute to the school’s advancement. I like where the school is headed. The strategic plan laid out by the new dean [John Judge] emphasizes innovation and practical experience in addition to extremely strong academics. The students are energetic and creative, and my interaction with them helps me engage in my own work at a deeper level.”

— E.N.W.

Barbara Balog, B.S.N.E. 1948, June 17, 2018.

MacRae Cook, B.M. 1948, Aug. 30, 2017.

Leonard A. Cullo, B.S.Chem.E. 1948, Sept. 9, 2018.

Most Rev. Raymond G. Hunthausen, retired archbishop of Seattle, attended the University from 1948 to 1949, July 22, 2018.

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Patricia R. Hanrahan, B.S.N. 1950, March 28, 2018.

Alexander M. Yourshaw, B.C.E. 1950, May 16, 2018.

Walter J. Bonner, B.A. 1951, March 24, 2018.

Charles Tilghman, B.A. 1951, Aug. 29, 2018.

William Wellington, M.A. 1951, May 4, 2018.

Frank J. Bonnike, M.A. 1952, April 5, 2018.

Charles Fletcher, B.A. 1952, June 26, 2018.

Randolph R. Newton, B.Arch.E. 1952, M.C.E. 1954, June 1, 2018.

Roberto J. Siman, B.C.E. 1953, July 14, 2018.

Jacqueline Dunlavey, B.A. 1954, April 8, 2018.

Lawrence L. Ketterer, B.Arch. 1954, June 30, 2018.

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Carl E. Forrest, M.S.L.S. 1960, July 12, 2018.

Ernestine Harman, M.S.N. 1962, April 12, 2018.

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Dora Jones, M.S.L.S. 1963, July 12, 2018.

Jerome Raffel, M.E.E. 1963, June 17, 2018.

George Dorrill, B.A. 1964, July 13, 2018.

Barbara Schmidt Schuetz, B.A. 1964, M.S.L.S. 1982, May 15, 2018.

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Sister Vivien A. Jennings, O.P., M.A. 1966, May 5, 2018.

Sister Joan A. Ryan, C.S.J., M.A. 1967, June 17, 2018.

James J. Corrigan, J.D. 1968, May 9, 2018.

Eileen E. Levins, M.S.L.S. 1968, March 15, 2018.

John C. “Jack” Meyer, Ph.D. 1968, June 26, 2018.

William H. Burke, B.A. 1969, Oct. 27, 2015.

Sister Elizabeth Fitzmaurice, M.A. 1970, May 25, 2018.

Robert Edward Fordham, B.A. 1971, Oct. 12, 2017.

Sister Maura Murphy, O.S.U., M.A. 1971, June 10, 2018.

Sister Marie I. Vane, M.A. 1971, April 22, 2018.

Anthony Petito, B.A. 1973, July 26, 2018.

Dennis A. Schramm, M.S.N. 1973, April 2, 2018.

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Sister Marie John Jimenez, S.C., D.A. 1978, Aug. 10, 2018.

Sarah Parker Wood Hendley, M.S.W. 1979, Oct. 7, 2018.

Retired Brigadier General Sean Mulholland, B.A. 1982, August 8, 2018.

Mary Hayden Withers, J.D. 1982, April 14, 2016.

Laurel Burkett Lonnes, M.S.L.S. 1983, Sept. 10, 2018.

Michael J. Potemra, B.A. 1985, May 21, 2018.

A. Christopher Segal, J.D. 1991, July 21, 2018.

Linda Weintz, M.S.W. 1993, June 6, 2018.

Hugh K. Wright, M.S.W. 1994, Feb. 16, 2018.

Jin N. Kim, J.D. 2000, April 20, 2018.

Robert W. “Robb” Mackenzie, M.S.L.S. 2000, July 18, 2018.

Paul Joseph Sweeney, M.S.L.S. 2000, Dec. 4, 2016.

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Reverend Thomas Patrick Joyce, C.M.F., S.T.B. 1959, former assistant professor, School of Theology, from 1965 to 1972, April 6, 2018.

Roland Nardone, professor emeritus of biology who served for more than 50 years at the University, died on June 20, 2018. The Biology Department honors him with its Roland Nardone Excellence in Teaching Award.